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HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
JUNE 13, 2023
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:08 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building located at 5143 Columbia Avenue, Hammond, Indiana.

President Dimopoulos called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. He stated that the Board held an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and litigation matters in accordance with Indiana Codes.

Commissioners Present: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Commissioners Absent: N/A

District Personnel Present: Marty Wielgos, Chief Executive Officer
Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Joseph Allegretti, HSD Attorney
Sharon Szany, HSD
Jeffrey Massey, HSD
Dan Zander, HSD
Bob Szczudlo, HSD
Jim Alms, Sewer Department
Brandon Vanes, HSD
Jessie Amezcua, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, MJHY
Natalie Cook, Donohue
Ken Schoon, Munster Town Council

President Dimopoulos stated that the first order of business is the consideration of the May 23, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Hawkins **moved** and Miller **seconded** to approve the May 23, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Chief Executive Officer, Marty Wielgos, stated that not much is going on. Summer has still not arrived yet, so they are hoping to finally get some nice, warm weather. They are lacking rain, so they would love a good rainfall to flush everything out and get back to normal. Things are still good. Everything is running well. They still have some positions they are looking to fill. They are

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moving carefully with those because as they have learned in the past, when they try filling these too quickly just to get a warm body, sometimes it does not prove to be the wisest thing to do. With that being said, everything is running well. They have some folks going on vacation the next week or so, so they are trying to get that out of the way because once you get towards the end of the year it becomes harder. They do still have some folks that have not taken any vacation, so they are trying to get some of that done. Other than that, things are running well. We have something that the Mayor wants and that he actually wanted to do a couple years ago is for the District to take at least a three or four block area in every direction and every so often where they actually send some workers out to clean up the public areas and the right of ways. Garbage is just all over this City. The Mayor talked about it in several staff meetings. Each of the departments- Water and Port Authority are doing the same thing. He thinks it is a great thing and what he is going to do is send people out in the morning on a Friday (this month is going to be on June 30th) and when they come back around noon from doing what they needed to do, they are going to have a big cookout and kind of do some team building at the same time. Once a month, once a quarter or every so often as he thinks it makes sense and during the summer is the best time to do it of course. He is actually looking forward to it and it is something the Mayor is really keen on because if you look when driving around, there is just garbage everywhere. It is unbelievable. He thinks this will be a big help in getting that all caught up. Other than that, he has nothing else, but will entertain any questions from the Commissioners.

PERSONNEL REPORT

There was no Personnel Report.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager, Rachel Montes, stated that she had nothing to highlight, but would take any questions.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Sewer Maintenance Report

No questions or comments.

Safety Report

No questions or comments.

CONSULTANT REPORTS

MJHY, LLC

Mike Hickey stated that the Board should have a copy of his status report. This period he has been coordinating the planning of the remote CMDF facility with Donohue and HSD. Any questions, he would be happy to answer.

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DONOHUE

Natalie Cook commented that she did not have anything to highlight, but would answer any questions.

Commissioner Hawkins asked what the Taylor/Horn pump station design is that was on her status report.

Natalie responded that there is the saxon development happening and they have an existing pump station, so they have submitted those plans to Donohue for review to make sure they would be satisfactory for that location. They looked at them against their review standards and raised a couple questions for Jeff to take a look at as well to make sure he is happy with the way that they are designing it.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board considered Resolution No. 13-2023: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Adopting the 2023 Financial Expenditure Plan for the Pretreatment Fund (6209) in the Amount of \$545,500.

Dye **moved** and Rubio **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 13-2023.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered Resolution No. 14-2023: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Adopting the 2023 Financial Expenditure Plan for the Operation and Maintenance Fund (6201) in the Amount of \$26,905,762

Dye **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 14-2023.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered Resolution No. 15-2023: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Authorizing the Permanent Transfer of \$392,257 for the 1st Quarter of 2023 from the Operation and Maintenance Fund (6201) to the Replacement Fund (6206)

Rubio **moved** and Miller **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 15-2023.

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Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered Resolution No. 16-2023: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Authorizing the Permanent Transfer of \$392,257 for the 2nd Quarter of 2023 from the Operation and Maintenance Fund (6201) to the Replacement Fund (6206)

Dye **moved** and Rubio **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 16-2023.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered the Bank Reconciliation Document dated May 31, 2023.

Dye **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** for the approval of the Bank Reconciliation Document dated May 31, 2023.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 06-13-23.

Rubio **moved** and Miller **seconded** for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 06-13-23.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 5-0.

President Dimopoulos called for Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

President Dimopoulos called for New Business

Rachel Montes said she forgot to mention that they had their exit meeting for the 2021 audit and they had no findings or comments. They were quietly present.

President Dimopoulos called for Reports from Commissioners

There were no reports from Commissioners.

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President Dimopoulos called for Public Expression

There was no public expression.

President Dimopoulos called for a motion to adjourn the meeting


Dye **moved** and Miller **seconded** for adjournment.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Sam Dimopoulos, President




Michael Dye, Vice-President



Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member

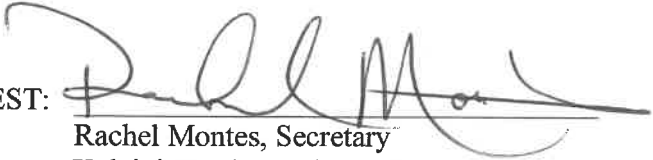


Owana Miller, Member



Monica Rubio, Member
(attending and voting via teleconference)

ATTEST:



Rachel Montes, Secretary
Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle